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SUBJECT: CONGRATULATORY MESSAGE TO THE SECRETARY

1. PLEASE DELIVER THE FOLLOWING RESPONSE FROM SECRETARY VANCE TO DEPUTY CHAFIC BADRE:

QUOTE: DEAR DEPUTY BADRE: I WOULD LIKE TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR THOUGHTFUL EXPRESSION OF GOOD WISHES AS I TAKE OFFICE AS SECRETARY OF STATE.

THROUGHOUT THE YEARS AHEAD THE UNITED STATES WILL CONTINUE ITS SEARCH FOR WORLD PEACE AND IMPROVED INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO YOUR CONTINUED FRIENDSHIP AND GOOD WILL. SINCERELY, CYRUS VANCE. UNQUOTE. LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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2. FYI: MESSAGE FROM BADRE, DATED JANUARY 21 AND TRANS-MITTED BY COMMERCIAL CABLE, AS FOLLOWS: SINCERE CONGRATU-LATIONS FOR YOUR NOMINATION AS SECRETARY OF STATE WISHING YOU GREATEST SUCCESS IN BUILDING PEACE THROUGHOUT THE WORLD AND SOON IN THE MIDDLE EAST BASED ON JUSTICE AND HUMAN RIGHTS MAY GOD BE WITH YOU IN YOUR GREAT RESPONSIBILITY. CHAFIC

BADRE, MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT OF LEBANON, CHAIRMAN OF THE

PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE FOR PUBLIC WORKS AND TRAN, MEMBER OF THE FOREIGN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE. UNQUOTE. BADRE HAS BEEN TRAVELLING RECENTLY IN THE US BUT HAS NOT CONTACTED THE DEPARTMENT AND WE ARE NOT AWARE OF HIS PRESENT WHEREABOUTS. END FYI. VANCE

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